

GERMANS SCORE VICTORY AGAINST RUSSIANS IN EAST

VILLA MOVIE IS CENSORED BY G.O.P. LEADERS

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CIRCULARS WERE READY FOR WIDE DISTRIBUTION

Film is Painted in Glowing Terms But Criticism Results in Shift of Republican Plans.

News-Times Special Service.
NEW YORK, Sept. 19.—Exposure of the republican national campaign committee's plan to represent in motion pictures President Wilson asleep at his desk, while Catholic nuns are assaulted by Villa bandits, has caused consternation and chagrin in republican circles here.

Frantic efforts were made to disavow responsibility, but the New York World today follows up its exposure by printing a circular sent out from republican headquarters offering the film for production.

Tuesday's World story in part is as follows:
"Having censored the moving picture film entitled 'Watchful Waiting' to such an extent that most of the work described in yesterday's World will have to be done over again, some of the members of the republican national committee yesterday denied that the picture as described had ever been approved.

Colby Makes Denial.
"Former Sen. Everett Colby of New Jersey, in charge of the republican moving picture campaign, was the spokesman for the committee. His statements were to the effect that it was preposterous to say that anything indecent would be produced, and while he refused to give any details whatever of the picture, he had viewed earlier in the day, he inferred that if it did contain the scenes spoken of in the World the committee would not for one moment sanction it.

The World has come into possession of a circular prepared at republican national committee headquarters in which the Hal Reid photoplay is described.

Circular Has Been Sent.
"This circular was to be sent to county chairmen all over the country. That it has been generally distributed is not asserted, but at least one copy of it has been sent to a town far distant from New York. This is the way the republican national committee describes its proposed campaign move in its circular: 'A story of Mexico and United States under a Wilson administration. A dramatization of historic facts involving Huerta, Carranza, Villa, Wilson, Roosevelt and Hughes.'

"The story begins with the betrothal of John Martin and Marion Lembar. John Martin is a United States trooper and is called to Mexico. He is killed by one of Villa's followers.

"Upon the death of her betrothed, Marion becomes a sister of charity and is sent to Mexico to nurse wounded soldiers. In the meantime the followers of Huerta shoot down the American flag, arousing all true Americans to action. Not so, Mr. Wilson. Ever consistent to his policy of 'watchful waiting,' Mr. Wilson organized a fleet of battleships which he sends to Vera Cruz at a cost of over one million dollars, to demand that Huerta apologize and that he salute the American flag, but with orders to the United States marines to withhold fire. The only apology that Mr. Huerta made was to send back 17 dead marines to New York city, nor did he ever salute the flag.

"Still after all of these outrages Mr. Wilson permitted Mr. Huerta to live in peace and comfort on Long Island.

"Sometime later Villa and his followers, fully organized, made a night attack on Columbus, New Mexico, burning the homes of the unsuspecting Americans, murdering them and with a licentious purpose in mind, dragging the women away to a fate more horrible than death.

"Immediately follows the Carrizal fight. Again Mr. Wilson yawned and stuck to his method of 'watchful waiting.' Villa and his followers make an attack on the convent and drag the sisters in to the brush, using them to suit their purposes and leaving them to die. Marion, rather than meet such a fate, kills herself. Missionaries are dragged from their homes and killed.

"The heads of both Protestant and Catholic churches are sent to the

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Mexicans to Insist Troops Be Withdrawn

International News Service.
NEW LONDON, Conn., Sept. 19.—The Mexican and American commissions today reached the stage where definite action on the question of withdrawing the Pershing column is the only means of progressing with the negotiations.

The recommendation of Gen. Bliss, assistant chief of staff of the army, for the withdrawal of the American troops, on top of the same recommendations by Gen. Funston, has partially convinced the Mexican commission that the Mexican representatives are talking against time in not taking a definite stand on this issue.

The Mexicans are prepared to demand that action be taken on the withdrawal question before other questions are dealt with, in accordance with the instructions of the Carranza government.

BANDIT'S FORCE ADVANCING NORTH

Unusual Military Activity at Juarez—Two Americans Reported Killed.

International News Service.
EL PASO, Texas, Sept. 19.—Unusual military activity in Juarez today created the belief here that Carranza military officials have been warned to beware of Villistas reported advancing northward from the vicinity of Chihuahua City.

All efforts to establish the truth of reports that two Americans were slain in Chihuahua City when Villa attacked that city last Saturday have been unavailing.

A Mexican passenger from Chihuahua asserted last night he had seen bodies of two Americans after the battle but could not identify them. American mining men and state department agents are trying to learn whether the report is correct.

Gen. Francisco Gonzales, commander of the Carranza garrison at Juarez, said Gen. Trevino had not notified him that any foreigners were killed.

Train service to Chihuahua from the border was resumed this morning. The telegraph is now intact. All trains southbound are heavily guarded.

PASS THROUGH CAPITAL

President and Mrs. Wilson on Way to Shadow Lawn.

International News Service.
WASHINGTON, Sept. 19.—The President and Mrs. Wilson passed through Washington this morning en route to Shadow Lawn from Columbia, S. C., where they attended the funeral of Mrs. Annie E. Howe, the president's sister. They were due to reach West End, N. J., two miles from the summer white house, shortly after 5 o'clock.

Dock Workers May Walk Out

International News Service.
SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 19.—The menace of a nation-wide longshoremen's strike loomed strong today, as a result of the vote of support given union labor in their effort to persuade Atlantic coast members not to handle vessels which are loaded by non-union labor on the Pacific coast. Longshoremen of the northwest voted practically unanimously to support their leaders in their efforts to stop the practice.

Vice President Kelly of the national organization left today for Buffalo to confer with President O'Connor. There are about 75,000 longshoremen in this country.

FIGURES SHOW BIG DECREASE IN SHIPMENTS

State Department Supplied With Data Showing Injurious Effects as Result of Allies' Acts.

WILL ENFORCE EMBARGO IF FOUND NECESSARY

Government Will Try Diplomatic Measures First to Gain Fair Treatment—President Has Powers.

International News Service.
WASHINGTON, Sept. 19.—Facing apparent defeat in diplomatic efforts to secure relief from the trade restrictions imposed on American commerce by the entente allies, the United States today has available complete data preliminary to the enforcement of retaliatory measures.

While retaliation will not be resorted to until all diplomatic measures have failed, the state department has made practically complete arrangements for the enforcement of an embargo on both importations and exportations, should it become necessary.

The retaliatory measures will be taken under the recently enacted revenue law which gives President Wilson authority to:

Prohibit the importations of any or all goods from countries which discriminate against American commerce.

Can Deny Clearances.
Deny clearance from American ports to any or all vessels which refuse to accept American goods for shipment for any reason other than lack of cargo space.

Under the direction of the state department the department of commerce and the treasury department now have collected the data on which proclamations enforcing both retaliatory proposals can be used.

Complete records of discriminations against American commerce both in the matter of shipping, under the so-called blacklist, and in the matter of destination, under the restrictions imposed on Scandinavian and Dutch trade, have been compiled. The state department will have available a statement of the exact effect of these restrictions on American trade, both in bulk and in detail.

Forwards Complaints.
The department of commerce today forwarded to the state department a selected list of complaints of American merchants and manufacturers who have suffered under the restrictions on trade with northern Europe. These complaints were culled out of the flood of protests coming from American shippers as special cases of discrimination and injury.

A statement showing the general effect of the allied restrictions on northern European trade, compiled by the department of commerce shows that in the seven months ended with July, American exports to Holland, Denmark and Sweden fell off \$94,153,433 from the same period in 1915. The exports of Holland suffered most, dropping \$40,298,785. Swedish trade lost \$34,387,275 and Danish \$18,759,373. Norway, the only northern European country to show a gain for the period received increased trade of about \$7,000,000.

These figures, with detailed statements of the effects of the restrictions on individual cases, will be used as a basis for the operation of the retaliatory measures, if it is decided to make these measures effective.

PROPRIETOR OF PRIVATE BANK TAKES HIS LIFE

Joseph Tuma of Chicago Feared Depositors Were About to Start Run.

International News Service.
CHICAGO, Sept. 19.—Tragedy came today as the aftermath of the collapse of several private banks on the west side and the frenzied runs on several others. Fearing that his depositors were about to start a wholesale withdrawal, Joseph Tuma, founder of the Tuma Savings bank, shot himself to death on the beach at the foot of Wentworth av. His wife attempted suicide when told of her husband's act, but was prevented by police.

It is said that Tuma's liabilities far exceeded his assets. An investigation will be made today.

National Death Rate Decreased By One-Sixth

International News Service.
WASHINGTON, Sept. 19.—In 10 years advancing medical science and improved sanitation has decreased the national death rate almost one-sixth. The census bureau today declared that during 1915 only 12.5 persons out of every 1,000 died.

The falling off was led by Rhode Island, where the rate was reduced 16.9 per cent over 1905. New York was second with 14.8; New Jersey third with 14.3; Massachusetts fourth with 12.7; while Michigan showed an increase of four-fifths of one per cent.

Newark, New York, Los Angeles, Jersey City, Pittsburgh, St. Louis, Denver, Paterson and San Francisco headed the list of cities where a noticeable falling off was evident. Minneapolis, Detroit, St. Paul, Toledo, Albany and Omaha were among the cities where the death ratio increased during the decade.

MORE MEN JOIN STRIKERS' RANKS

Motormen and Conductors on Queen County Railroad Quit Posts.

International News Service.
NEW YORK, Sept. 19.—Despite the fact that motormen and conductors of the New York and Queen county railway went on strike today, thus swelling the ranks of employees engaged in a bitter struggle with traction magnates decided impetus was given to peace efforts. These are being made by Mayor Mitchell and Chairman Straus of the public service commission.

The mayor awaited only written proposals from the labor leaders, stating the conditions on which they would call off the strike to confer with Chairman Straus and then take up the situation with committees representing the chamber of commerce and the merchants' association. These civic bodies are anxious to see the strike ended.

Mayor Mitchell said that he and Mr. Straus would ask the advice and assistance of the committees in an endeavor to adjust the present difficulties and prevent the sympathetic strike which the labor leaders have declared will be called if the present trouble is not settled by 2 o'clock Friday afternoon.

"Beyond this I can say nothing," declared the mayor.

"It was regarded as significant today that Police Commissioner Woods was continuing to make preparations to meet any emergency which might result from a spread of the strike.

That an effort will be made to call out all of the 800,000 men and women union workers in the greater city, unless the mayor can bring about an amicable settlement has been frankly stated to the mayor by the labor leaders.

Indications that the threat could be taken seriously were given by the action of the United Hebrew Trades, with a membership of 200,000 men, women and girls. They have voted to strike the moment the bargain give the word.

With the spread of the strike to Queens county, where 400 motormen and conductors went out, violence is increasing all over the city.

START INQUIRY.

International News Service.
LONDON, Sept. 19.—Formal inquiry into charges growing out of the Dardanelles campaign was begun here today. The first session of the investigators was held in private.

Who Will Haul Big Guns?

Five big cannon will come from the celebrated Culver Military academy, Culver, Ind., for use Oct. 3, 4 and 5 in the great Indiana centennial historical pageant in Springbrook park. These will arrive about Oct. 2 on the Vandalia railroad and will have to be transferred to Springbrook. Four horses will be used to pull each big gun.

Now, who is going to have the honor of having hauled these cannon to Springbrook park and back to the Vandalia station? What team owners are sufficiently loyal to their state, county and city as to come forward without delay and agree to see that their good looking horses will make a fine showing ahead of the guns? Volunteers are called for. Who will respond?

Owners of beautiful horses who are willing to perform this service for the centennial observance and give it as their share of loyalty should communicate at once with Henry B. Roney, pageant director, Chamber of Commerce. It will be interesting for the thousands of people to read in the newspapers the names of the high-class team owners whose loyalty prompts action. It will also be interesting to see these beautiful horses in clean, attractive harness and decorated American colors as they pass through streets hauling these great guns to and from Springbrook.

FAKE BADGES USED BY GANG ARE MISSING

Officials Believe That Apartments Which Yielded Seven Arrests Saturday Was Merely a "Blind."

TWO MEMBERS OF GANG ARE STILL AT LARGE

Mrs. Regina Klipper of Philadelphia, One of the Victims, is Due in Chicago Today.

International News Service.
CHICAGO, Sept. 19.—Two distinct hunts for another blackmailers' rendezvous were on in Chicago today. Satisfied that the fashionable apartment which yielded seven arrests Saturday was merely a "blind" both federal operatives and city detectives searched for a place from which it is believed the members of the "syndicate" conducted their real work. This place, officials believe, is on the south side.

Suspicious that the blackmailers have another headquarters in Chicago were aroused when a close search of the Grand boulevard apartment failed to reveal the two strongest weapons of the swindlers—their fake secret service badges and their fake warrants. It was through these "official" mediums that the victims were usually persuaded to "come across" when trapped with some one of the opposite sex in a compromising position.

Women Due Today.
Mrs. Regina Klipper of Philadelphia, one of the many victims of the trust, was expected here today to aid in the identification of those already under arrest, and to corroborate the story told by Frank Crocker, a former member of the band. It was Crocker's disclosures that led to the arrest of his former associates.

While the search for other headquarters was on, police and secret service operatives all over the middle west were on the lookout for two members of the gang still at large—May Taub, said to be the wife of a St. Louis pickpocket, and George Irwin, whom federal officers declared is one of the "brains" of the syndicate. Irwin also is said to be the husband of Mrs. Helen Evers, who is under arrest here.

CASE ON TODAY.

International News Service.
PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 19.—William Butler, a leader of the gang of alleged blackmailers rounded up in Chicago on Sunday, and his brother, George Butler, will be given a hearing here today, charged with attempting to blackmail Mrs. Regina A. Klipper of this city, and also with "obstructing justice" by taking part in the kidnapping of Mrs. Klipper and her sequestration in Montreal, Canada, so that she could not testify against George Irwin, a member of the gang at his trial in Chicago.

In all probability a continuance will be asked in the case until Mrs. Klipper can return from Chicago.

DECORATES PRINCE.

International News Service.
LONDON, Sept. 19.—Reuter's correspondent at Amsterdam forwards a dispatch stating that the kaiser has decorated Crown Prince Frederick William with the Order Pour Le Merite. The crown prince is commander on the Verdun front.

Two Ships Sunk By Teuton Subs

International News Service.
LONDON, Sept. 19.—The British steamers Dewa and Lord Tredegar, both large and comparatively new ships, have been sunk by German submarines, it was announced today. The Dewa was built in 1913 and displaced 3,862 tons. The Lord Tredegar was built a year later. It displaced 3,856 tons.

Both ships were engaged in the transatlantic trade.

The Dewa sailed from Portland, Me., on July 19, for Avonmouth. The Lord Tredegar left New York on Aug. 24 for far eastern ports.

CASES INCREASE.

NEW YORK, Sept. 19.—Thirty-five new cases of infantile paralysis and 19 deaths were reported today. This was an increase of 20 and four, respectively, over yesterday's figures.

Released Artist Will Start Anew



RALPH BLAKELOCK & MRS. VAN RENSSELAER ADAMS
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The story of Ralph Blakelock, now considered the leading landscape artist of America, reads like a plot from fiction.

Seventeen years ago Blakelock, broken in mind and body, was sent to the state hospital for the insane at Middletown, N. Y., after his failure to realize anything on the picture he had just painted.

A wife and family were left penniless. A couple of years ago art connoisseurs recognized real genius in Blakelock's work. His pictures sold for small fortunes. Last year the National Academy of Design elected him to membership in the exclusive organization.

It remained for Mrs. Van Rensselaer Adams of Orange, N. J., to rescue Blakelock. Through his son, born just as Blakelock was on the threshold of the asylum, Mrs. Adams became interested in the artist. She worked for his release, which finally was secured two weeks ago. Mrs. Adams is sure that Blakelock's power of mind is returning and that he will own or control every ton of coal in the world.

WILL PLAN WAR ON TAX DODGERS

Government Officials Hope to Increase Income Tax Revenue.

International News Service.
WASHINGTON, Sept. 19.—Another—this time officials say it will be the real thing—drive against those citizens of the United States who earn in excess of \$3,000 annually, is being planned. The object, Commissioner of Internal Revenue W. H. Osborne frankly states, is to increase the revenue of the government by one-third the amount at present coming in under the income tax law. In order to devise the best way of collecting all of the tax the commissioner today sent word to 50 of the most experienced agents and collectors to report here on Oct. 1.

They then will discuss ways and means of ascertaining all persons liable to the tax, so that it can be collected. In this connection it is said by treasury officials that they are convinced that severe evasion of tax dodgers at the coming conference. The methods of collecting information regarding incomes "at the source" will be radically changed. It is expected and made more fruitful for the government agents.

READING COMPANY SEEKS MONOPOLY

Briefs in Attempt to Divorce Railroad and Coal Combine Filed.

International News Service.
WASHINGTON, Sept. 19.—The federal government this afternoon filed in the supreme court of the United States its brief in the anti-trust case against the Reading Co., the Philadelphia and Reading Railway Co., the P. and R. Coal and Iron Co., and others. It charged that unless the Reading Co. is dissolved "it will own or control every ton of commercially available coal known to exist."

The brief charges that "the Reading combination is the backbone of the monopoly in anthracite coal; that it controls about two-thirds of the entire deposits," and that further monopoly is being sought. Reading Holding Co., through its subsidiaries—the Reading Coal Co. and the Reading Railway Co.—controls the production, transportation and sale of anthracite coal in the Schuylkill region and that this control "was acquired and is maintained by other than normal methods of industrial development and by means wrongful and unlawful in themselves."

TURKS WIN.

CONSTANTINOPLE, (via London) Sept. 19.—Minor successes for Turkish troops on the Egyptian and Caucasian front were announced by the war office today as follows:
"On the Caucasian front a surprise attack by our right wing was successful. The left wing repulsed the enemy."
"On the Egyptian front enemy aviators bombed El Arish without damage. Enemy cavalry advancing east of the Suez canal was repulsed."

BULGARS ARE DRIVEN ACROSS SERB FRONTIER

Right Wing is Forced to Give Ground to Allies—Monastir is Being Evacuated Says Report.

NEW OFFENSIVE IS STARTED BY GERMANS

Numerous Attacks Are Made on Russian Positions at Souain and Somme—Rain Halts Operations.

International News Service.
BERLIN, Sept. 19.—Teuton forces took by storm the Russian bridgehead position on the Stokhod at Zareche, the German war office announced today. Thirty-one officers and 2,511 men were taken prisoners by the Teutons.

The report states that the Russians and Roumanians have suffered heavy losses in the Carpathians. On the western front bad weather is hindering operations.

ITALIANS IN BATTLE.

International News Service.
PARIS, Sept. 19.—Italian and Bulgarian are engaged in battle in the region of Mount Beles on the Saloniki front, the French war office announced today in its report on Balkan operations. It also stated that in western Macedonia Serbian troops had repulsed attacks by German troops at Vetrnik.

BATTLE IS ON.

International News Service.
PETROGRAD, Sept. 19.—Stubborn fighting on the River Narayuvka, in the region of Halicz, is going on between the Russian and the Teuton allies, the Russian war office announced today. All enemy attacks were repulsed.

START OFFENSIVE.

International News Service.
PARIS, Sept. 19.—German troops have opened a new offensive in Champagne, according to the official communique issued by the French war office today. They have made numerous attacks on the Russian positions at Souain and Somme, but all have been repulsed it was announced.

RAIN IN WEST.

LONDON, Sept. 19.—Heavy rain is hindering operations by the British troops in France. But nevertheless the English soldiers succeeded in penetrating German trenches at three points.

Today's official report announces that five more of the British aeroplanes engaged in recent operations have failed to return.

The war office statement follows: "Heavy continuous rain has fallen in the last 24 hours. The general situation is unchanged. In the neighborhood of Richbourg-Fauche we entered enemy trenches at three places, capturing prisoners and a machine gun and inflicting casualties. Our casualties were slight.

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